

THE HONORABLE JOHN C. COUGHENOUR

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

ROLAND MA,

Plaintiff,

v.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, and  
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN  
CALIFORNIA,

Defendants.

CASE NO. C19-1112-JCC

ORDER

This matter comes before the Court on Plaintiff's Motion to Stay the Execution of the Contempt Judgment (Dkt. No. 64). The Court DENIES the motion for the reasons explained herein.

On April 29, 2020, the Court found civil contempt sanctions warranted against Plaintiff for repeated and apparently willful violations of the parties' settlement agreement (Dkt. No. 62). Defendant moved for an emergency appeal of the Court's order in the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and moved this Court to stay the contempt judgment. (Dkt. Nos. 63, 64.) The Court of Appeals has since denied that motion and the Court has received unchallenged reports from Defendants that Plaintiff continues to be in contempt. (*See* Dkt. Nos. 66, 67.) Plaintiff's motion provides the Court no cognizable basis to stay the contempt judgment.

For the foregoing reasons, Plaintiff's Motion to Stay the Execution of the Contempt

Judgment (Dkt. No. 64) is DENIED. Sanctions will continue to accrue as articulated in the Court's April 20, 2020 order (Dkt. No. 62).

DATED this 16th day of September 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "John C. Coughenour", written over a horizontal line.

John C. Coughenour  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE